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THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CHINA.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the American Association of China was held in the rooms of the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce, Yuenning Road, on December 18th. Mr. H. B. Morse (President) was in the chair. The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. M. Lacey Sites) having read the notice convening the meeting, read the report of the Executive Committee. The Chairman said that the Treasurer's report had been presented and circulated and he proposed that it be taken as read. This was done.

The Chairman moved the adoption of the report of the Executive Committee. He mentioned the sixteen new members who were proposed at the last meeting of the Committee, but said that on the other hand they had losses during the year. The President proceeded to refer to these losses. He said that the Association could only take limited action in some of the subjects which came before it, and instanced the question of opium and opium dens in Shanghai. The Association felt that it should not do anything in a matter in which they had an interest. Anything they did with regard to the question of opium and the Shanghai Municipal Council must be done by individual effort. It was sometimes felt that the one American on the Municipal Council was there more as an sufferance and as individuals they should make greater effort to obtain better representation. Mr. Morse proceeded to relate the history of the Settlements and then taking individual effort as his text bowed down in certain directions. Americans in Shanghai lacked this quality. It was not until the came to public action that the Association came into its proper place. The one question which had concerned them during the past year had been the United States Court for China. On this question the Association had spoken from the beginning with no uncertain voice. The Court was the creation of this Association, and about three weeks or a month after the arrival of the judge the question arose whether this Association supported him in the action he took and they sent a telegram and a letter to Washington. Then finding that the law was insufficient they sent a circular to the members of Congress and on the suggestion of Secretary Tait proposed a memorial on the subject of Consular Buildings. After referring to the question of the Post Office Mr. Morse reverted to the policy of the American Association with reference to the United States Court for China. They had considered principles in connection with the Court and not persons, their concern had been with the Court alone, and they had had in mind the Courts it was to-day and as it would be working ten years hence. Mr. Morse viewed with some apprehension the appeal given in criminal cases to San Francisco. He thought that it would be best to be first established; but to remove all danger while appeal on points of law must always be allowed, facts once established by a jury acquainted with the conditions of life in China, should not be again reviewed by a Court necessarily ignorant of those conditions, and possibly swayed by anti-Chinese influences around it. The Chinese viewed with suspicion the sending away of convicted criminals to serve their sentences at Vladivostok or San Francisco or Saigon; and the sentiment of the Association was, in fact, a prisoner convicted by the Court in China, would throw a doubt on the administration of justice in the American Courts from which the nation would never recover. The conclusion the Committee had reached was that the Court must in all ways be strengthened. The first need was a proper code of laws. They claimed laws that should be up-to-date and had recommended the extension to China, in so far as they should be applicable, of the laws of the State of California, and in case Congress might prefer it they had suggested as an alternative the laws of the District of Columbia. The next requirement for making a strong court was to have a judge preside over it and he asked the meeting to consider the matter, as the Committee had done, without regard to the person who might be presiding over the court at any given time. The aim of this Association should be, not only to get a strong judge, but to keep him. To get such a judge the present salary was probably sufficient, but when he came to Shanghai and realized his position, he would have to use the influence which appointed him to secure, before that influence was lost, his transfer to some post with better prospect of advancement. The Committee, therefore, recommended an improvement in the position of the Judge and hoped it would be carried into effect before any new appointment had to be made. In the matter of admission to practice in the court, their aim had been to strengthen the Court and not to weaken it. Another question was that of trial by jury. The need of some form of protection in criminal cases, especially homicide, was strongly felt, and it was also felt that a final decision was less certain if given by a judge sitting alone. But they were not yet clear in their minds if the American communities were sufficiently large to support the jury system. Elsewhere than at Shanghai they probably were not. The question required further consideration and in the meantime they had suggested the introduction of assessors in criminal cases. The Committee had been told that they had no right to express their opinion on the important matter without calling a meeting of the members, but this they must regretfully say they were unable to do. They were not open to them to consult the body of members and so make the matter public. Mr. Morse expressed his regret at the premature publication of the memorial and concluded by saying that the aim of the Association had been to strengthen the Court, and that they had every confidence that this policy would commend itself to the American community.

Dr. Hawks Pott seconded the adoption of the report.

A member at the back of the room asked if the vote would endorse the action of the Committee.

The Chairman said that it would accept and approve the report and what had been done during the year.

The member then asked that the memorial should be placed before the meeting.

The Chairman replied that it was in the report. The memorial had been in the "Journal."

Mr. C. F. Gammon said that this memorial was sufficiently important to be put by itself to the Association. The members knew nothing about it at the time it was sent and he thought such a document should have been put before the members. He thought the memorial excellent, but it contained some things of which very few Americans approved. It purported to represent the collective views of the American Association, whereas it did not do so at all; it was the Committee who had done it. The memorial should have been held over, or presented to a special meeting of members. He moved that this memorial be put before the meeting. This was seconded.

Dr. Reid proposed a substitute for the following:—Resolved that the American Association of China at its annual meeting do

herby reiterate the request previously made of the Government at Washington on the three following matters, to wit: that a suitable Government building be provided for the Court and Consulate in Shanghai, second, that a suitable code be provided for the United States Court for China, and third, that the Consul-General for Shanghai be free from all judicial duties or functions." Dr. Reid said they had been aiming at several things for some years and there seemed to be a good probability of success on one or more of these matters that they had got to the Government at Washington at different times during the past few years. They did not wish to tie their hands or do anything which would lessen their influence with the Government at Washington concerning those things they had all agreed they wanted. There might be dispute and discussion on certain matters in the memorial and he proposed that they send home a message with reference to those things on which they were all agreed. The substitute he suggested contained all the main issues and they were all agreed.

A member asked what the motion substituted.

Dr. Reid—The memorial.

After a short discussion Dr. Myers seconded Dr. Reid's motion.

Mr. Gammon questioned the action of the Committee in sending home cablegrams, private letters and pamphlets without the knowledge of members of the Association.

Dr. Myers pointed out that the Committee had not overstepped the powers conferred on them by the constitution.

Dr. Hawks Pott said that some members approved of the report with the exception of the memorial. If this was put to the vote then they could vote on Dr. Reid's amendment afterwards.

Dr. Reid said that he was willing to withdraw, on the understanding, that a vote be taken as suggested by Dr. Pott.

Mr. Gammon moved: That the report be accepted with the exception of the Memorial. This was seconded.

Mr. Murray Warner moved: That the report except that part relating to the Memorial be taken up first. This was seconded.

The report except that part relating to the Memorial was then adopted by the meeting.

Dr. Hawks Pott moved: That the Memorial be accepted.

Dr. Parker seconded.

The motion was carried, about one third of those present voting against.

The Ballot for the Executive Committee for 1908 resulted in the following being elected:—Messrs. D. Coath, J. N. Jameson, Dr. A. P. Parker, Dr. F. L. Hawks Pott, W. A. Reed, Dr. Gilbert Reid, C. M. Lacey Sites, C. Sturmann, J. A. Thomas, Murray Warner and J. R. Patterson.

On the motion of Mr. Gammon, seconded by Mr. G. Morse, it was resolved: That the sending of an expression of regret to the widow of the late John Goodnow be recommended to the incoming Committee.

The Chairman moved to alter Article 10, Section 1, so as to effect a reduction in the subscription of missionaries.

Dr. Jefferys said that if he could not pay his \$10 he would resign. He deprecated class distinctions in the membership.

The Chairman withdrew the motion.

Dr. Meyer pointed out that the Chairman followed the English custom of proposing resolutions. In an American meeting he thought they should follow American methods of procedure.

The Chairman claimed that he had followed precedent. Dr. Reid said he had adopted the practice of his predecessor in office.

Dr. Reid proposed that Mr. Murray Warner second the election of Mr. J. N. Jameson to the office of President.

Mr. Jameson declined the honor, saying that he wished to see a younger man in the position. He proposed Mr. Murray Warner. Mr. Darrah seconded and the resolution was carried unanimously.

The following officers were also elected:—Mr. J. A. Thomas, Vice-President; Dr. Lacey Sites, Hon. Secretary; and Mr. C. Sturmann, Hon. Treasurer.

A vote of thanks to the retiring president concluded the meeting, which lasted over two hours.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Gentlemen,—Your committee in presenting their annual report, as required by the Constitution, do not feel called upon to discuss this year the traditional topics—"The Situation" and "The Outlook"—and this for two reasons: (1) There have been no such marked developments in Chinese affairs as to call for extended comment from a committee who are concerned with specifically American interests; (2) American interest, properly speaking, have claimed the attention of your committee to an extent which makes it fitting to relegate matter of more general interest to a more convenient season.

The principal subjects involving American interests which have received a fraction have already been put before you at some length in the official organ of the Association—the "Journal." The Constitution provides that the "Journal" shall be published quarterly, if practicable, or as often as circumstances render expedient. The "Journal" was published in the first few years of the Association's history, at irregular intervals, averaging about two issues a year. This besides the usual issue of January and July, a November number has also been published, which was mailed to members about a week ago. Moreover, the power of the power conferred upon them by the Constitution, "to carry out the purposes of the association according to the constitution and by-laws," your committee have caused to be printed two separate pamphlets, consisting of advance selections from the final make-up of the November "Journal," which pamphlets have been sent to members of Congress, Government officials and other persons in positions of authority and influence. The list of these pamphlets contained the memorandum on the needs of the judiciary and Consular service in China, the essential contents of the second were Secretary Tait's speech at the banquet tendered him under the auspices of the Association, on the day of his visit to Shanghai, and a memorial presenting with greater fulness the urgent needs of the judiciary establishment here. Your committee, believing that the time was ripe for pressing upon the Government at Washington the urgency of immediate action for the conserving and advancing of American interests in China, have spared no pains to do so as effectively as was possible with the resources at their command—with an eye single to the highest and broadest interests of our nationals in China, and the honour of our country.

In reviewing the year, of all the most notable event in the history of this Association was the visit of the Secretary of War, Hon. William H. Taft. Although his stay in Shanghai was short, comprising but ten hours, and despite his own plain declaration that this brief visit to China was merely incidental to his chief mission, i.e., to Manila, yet the visit was momentous in many ways. It brought to a focus various lines of influence for securing, in Washington, adequate attention to

America's interests in China. It gave occasion for the utterance of broad principles of national statesmanship which find their most notable field of application in the relations between the two great continental nations which border the northern Pacific. Most important of all, it brought to the point of vital contact the increasing friendliness between China and America which has succeeded the episode of the boycott. And it brought those aspects of Americanism to the point with such manifest grace and effectiveness as to enhance in a very positive way the prestige of the American name among the nations represented in Shanghai.

In passing, it is worth while to mention, as one indication of the renewed good-fellowing of China toward America, the increased numbers of Chinese students now going to study in American universities. Dr. Morris, in his speech at the China Association dinner in London last month, stated that four hundred and twenty Chinese students are now pursuing advanced courses in America. As a single instance, to illustrate the present trend, we may note that a large government school at Shanghai, which, two years ago, was about to send its graduating class to America for advanced study but directed them instead to European schools, last week started seven of its brightest students off for America to study commerce at Yale.

Among the official changes of the year we have to note the transfer of Consul-General Rogers from the post which he had filled so creditably at Shanghai, to Havana; and the appointment here of our present honored representative, Consul-General Denby.

An important chapter in the history of the year in the records of the good work done by this Court has appeared in the successive issues of the "Journal," for the year. In February, it having appeared to your committee that an emergency called for an expression of the Association's attitude toward the Court, a telegram and a letter, endorsing Judge Willey's judicial course, were sent to the Secretary of State. These were published in the "Journal" for July.

Our national anniversaries have been duly observed, and the proceedings in connection with them, occasions have been or will be recorded fully in the "Journal."

It is proper here to make mention of the death of two men, long and honourably connected with American interests in China, one in an official and the other in a philanthropic relation, ex-Minister E. H. Conger and the veteran missionary Dr. Young J. Allen. To their memories we have already paid tribute in the pages of the "Journal." We have also to record the death of our former Consul-General John Goodnow, in Rome, this month. The Rev. W. S. Faris and the Rev. J. E. Jones died as a result of their devoted services in ministering to the famine sufferers in Kiangsu last summer. The Rev. W. B. Seabury met death by drowning near Kuling, and the Rev. A. S. Mann, in a heroic attempt to save his friend, gave up his own life.

Account of the noble work done by Americans and others in famine relief in the early part of the year were published in the "Journal" for July. Especial interest attached to the visit here of Mr. E. E. Johnston, representing the "Christian Herald," through which a large proportion of the American benefactions were secured and forwarded to China.

The anti-opium crusade in China has received your committee's earnest attention. Although we have not deemed ourselves competent to express any opinion respecting the attitude of the Shanghai Foreign Municipality toward the question of prohibition of the retail traffic, we have approved a letter addressed by the President of the Association to the Secretary of State, discussing in some detail the historic relation of the opium traffic to the opium traffic of China and some important aspects of the traffic in general.

In the correspondence, as published in the "Journal," will be found the committee's reply to a communication from the G. R. m. Association on the subject of the Whangpoo Conservancy. Your committee, while favouring every practicable suggestion calculated to promote the complete success of the work, have not deemed it expedient to go further than to suggest that the Engineer-in-Chief be requested to state whether, in his opinion, recent developments justify any modification of the scheme.

In response to a request from the chairman of the China Association, that a representative of the Association be appointed on the provisional committee on a proposed International Exhibition at Shanghai, Mr. James N. Jameson was appointed, and consented to serve. No action has been taken, however, committing the Association in any way to the scheme.

Your committee have been officially advised of the decision of the Japanese Association of Shanghai and the organ action, in its place, of the Japanese Settlement Association, which appears to be a quasi-governmental body, formed under the special direction of the foreign office at Tokyo, with powers and duties much more extensive than those usually assumed by the American Associations representing various nationalities in Shanghai.

Some changes have occurred, in the course of the year, in the make-up of the committee. In March, Dr. Gilbert Reid resigned the presidency. Dr. L. Hawks Pott, on leaving, in July for some months' stay in America, resigned as a member of the committee. Mr. H. B. Morse was thereupon elected to the vacant place on the committee and was forthwith elected to the presidency for the unexpired term.

The membership of the Association has been extended by the election of thirty-one new members, of whom twenty-nine are resident and two non-resident. Adding these to the members appearing on the roll at the end of last year, namely, 108 resident and ninety-nine non-resident, we should have 135 resident and 101 non-resident members, besides three honorary members. From these totals, however, we must deduct a number of names which were counted in the membership totals at the end of last year, but which have been dropped, in accordance with the Constitution, for long-continued non-response to the Treasurer's notices. The reductions, taken together with resignations, and the transfer of names from the resident to the non-resident list and vice versa, I have the membership list as follows:—

Honorary	3
Resident	117
Non-resident	98
Total	218

Respectfully submitted
For the Executive Committee,
C. M. Lacey Sites,
Hon. Secretary.
Shanghai, December 18, 1907.

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THE PADFOOT.

It is one of the most perplexing and inexplicable facts of human nature that we find precisely the same superstitious beliefs in parts of England as widely apart as Northumberland and Cornwall, and, and practices as now aning as April Fool's Day in countries as severed as England and Hindustan. Now, when I was in Yorkshire I heard a good deal about the Padfoot, and find that in Northumberland and Durham it was, and perhaps still is, believed in as sincerely as in Yorkshire. It is a mysterious animal, somewhat larger than a sheep, with long hair, and large eyes like saucers, that gleam with a phosphorescent light, and which is supposed to follow people at night in a lonely lane, or even high road, or else waylays them where they are likely to pass. In Northumberland it goes by the name of the Basnet, and in other parts the Eggie. The name Padfoot is given it in Yorkshire from the sound of its foot lightly, or clapping down on the way.

A man at Harrogate, near Wakefield, assured S. Baring, Gould emphatically that he had seen the "Padfoot" one night as a white dog of large size in the hedge. It struck at it, and the stick passed through it. Then a huge white dog looked at him, and it had "great saucer eyes," and he was so "frighted" that he ran home trembling, and went to bed, where, says that writer, I visited him, and tried to assure him he had been deluded by his fancy. But all in vain he died.

For my part, I suspect that what he really saw was the moonlight through a gap in the hedge, taking apparently the form of a large dog. But usually the Padfoot is not white but black. Sometimes it runs on three legs, sometimes on four.

The most circumstantial account of one comes from Cornwall, and that from the pen of a man of no little note in his day, Samuel Drewe, the philosopher and metaphysician, author of "A Treatise on the Immortality of the Soul," and for several years editor of the "Imperial Magazine." He was a clear, hard-headed man, and not one that you would suppose could have been deluded in what he saw; but what is more, he asserts confidently that several others who were with him also saw the mysterious creature. These are his words: "There were several of us, boys and men, out about twelve o'clock, on a bright moonlight night. I think we were passing the party were in a field, adjoining the road leading to St. Austell, and I was stationed outside the hedge, to watch and give the alarm, if any intruder should appear. While thus occupied, I heard what appeared to be the sound of a horse, approaching from the town, and I gave a signal. My companions paused, and came to the hedge where I was, to see the passenger. They looked through the bushes, and I drew myself close to the hedge, that I might not be observed. The sound increased, and the supposed horseman seemed to be drawing near. The clatter of the hoofs became more and more distinct. 'We looked to see who and what it was; and I was seized with a strange, indescribable feeling of dread, when, instead of a horse, there appeared coming towards us, at an easy pace, but with the same sound which first caught my ear, a creature about the height of a large dog. It went close by me; and as it passed it turned upon me and my companions huge fiery eyes that struck terror to all our hearts. The road where I stood branched off in two directions, in one of which there was a gate across. Towards this gate it moved; and, without any apparent obstruction, went on at its regular trot, which we had several minutes after it had disappeared. Whatever it was, it put an end to our occupation, and we made the best of our way home."

I have often endeavoured in later years, but without success, to account, on natural principles, for what I then heard and saw. As to the fact, I am sure there was no deception. It was a night of unusual brightness, occasioned by a cloudless, full moon. The creature was unlike any animal I had ever seen; but from my present recollections it had much the appearance of a bear with a dark, shaggy coat. Had it not been for the unearthly lustre of its eyes and its passing through the gate as it did there would be no reason to suppose it anything more than an animal, perhaps escaped from some menagerie. That it did pass through the gate, without pause or hesitation, I am perfectly clear. In fact, we all saw it, and saw that gate was shut, from which we were not distant more than twenty or thirty yards. The bars are too close to admit the passage of an animal of half its apparent bulk; yet this creature went through, without effort or variation of its pace."

Surely this is a very curious story, and it is greatly to be regretted that we have not the written account of what was seen by the other members of the party on that nocturnal peaching expedition.

The explanation of this incident is wanting. But of others of the same category various explanations may be given. Animals do often break loose at night, and dogs go about wailing, and nervous people encountering such in the dark may easily be alarmed, and imagination supplies the best with the glaring scenario. Add to this that some of these late night-walkers are on their way home from the public-house.

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